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This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53 (b) as a Continuation-in-Part application of prior application No. 10/074,151, filed on February 11, 2002.

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The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied herewith as indicated below, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: PRE-TREATMENT FOR SALICIDE PROCESS

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